

# Opinion

## How do you spell financial relief? B-I-N-G-O!

Las Vegas, Nevada, and Atlantic City, New Jersey, are pretty big cities. A lot of people who live there don't gamble, so there's still a pretty good chance that per capita, Carbondale has more gamblers than they do.

Have you ever seen a town where there are more raffish, lottery tickets, or bingo games? Everybody knows that there is a lot of illegal gambling done, but we're amazed at the number of charitable fundraising events that involve games of chance. They all seem to be successful.

Apparently, Carbondale area people trust "buying chances" as a form of recreation. They don't care that their chances of winning the Daily Number is only one chance in 1,000. It's fun to try to win! It's entertainment!

## Resolving to help solve city's problems

As 1983 draws to a close, people start thinking about the new year and what the future holds in store. Many people resolve to turn over a new leaf and change their lives for the better in some way.

On January 2, Charlotte Moro will be sworn in as mayor of Carbondale and a new city administration will be formed. The mayor-elect and city council have already resolved to solve Carbondale's numerous problems, but we need a lot more than just words from our elected officials to the effect that "I'll do everything in my power to help Carbondale." We need tangible solutions to problems, solutions that council has not yet found.

Council and the new administration will need the advice, help, and understanding of all the citizens in 1984. It would help if each of us makes a new year's resolution to help solve Carbondale's dilemma by assisting in any way possible. Carbondale's problems are not the responsibility of just council and the administration. We all have a vested interest in restoring our city to tip-top condition!

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The Children of Romea Wilson's second grade class of Roosevelt School prepared for a Christmas program. Pictured were: Eric Mitchell, Judy Collura, Ronald Taramella, Rose Marie Mosher, Billy Clark, Kim Smith, Cathy Cox, Carrie Dunn, David Sackhouse, Ann St. Ledger, Bryan Wormuth, Raymond Wray, John Kane, Carmelo Aston, Gary Griffiths, Steve Ogazaly, Michael Vaddia, David Hucks, Mary Alice Jackson, Annette Grecco, Randy Evans, Michael Fry, Laura Devell, Michael Lepre, Jeffrey Owens, Alan Gilroy, and Clete Umer.

CERF, Physician and medical leader took part in a discussion of marijuana and other drugs in Carbondale. They addressed a large gathering of people at the Carbondale Community Center.

Thomas J. Scalzo had called attention of the Carbondale Area people to the fact that Carbondale is a non-profit as you can get \$400,000 deficit, so why not try what has worked so well for churches and other organizations? A well-publicized bingo game would attract crowds from other cities. If properly run, at least a thousand dollars profit a week could be realized. One night a week, 50 weeks a year - that \$50,000.

Even the losers couldn't complain because the friendship, recreation and fun which people experience at a well-run bingo game are well worth the few dollars spent.

Miss Stella Jazynski, Staten Island, N.Y., was appointed director of nursing at Doctor's Hospital, Stanley Lucas, 724 Madison Ave., New York City, was named to the day of nursing season while heading near Pleasantville.

Six Penn State football seniors were selected for post-season appearances. Right: Baker and Peter Lake, Harrison Road, Dan Cunniff, Rick Anderson, and Junior Powell.

Mrs. Leo Healey and Walter Thordick received \$100 awards for Hank Loftis, manager of Mayfield Giant Big Chief Market. Awards were made in Giant Big Chief \$60,000 "Golden Promotions".

Cub Scouts of YMCA Stephen Martino, Jeff Wallis, and George Wallis, with Capt. David A. MacLean, of Pack 4 had their Christmas project the gathering of canned goods for the Salvation Army.

The Irving Theater played host to the children of the Carbondale Area at a theater party at the Irving.

A trailer with 20 tons of rock salt, jacked at Canaan and Belmont, from Dean Plugg Auto Store, during a snow storm. Earlier that day, a trailer could not stop climbing.

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down Canaan Street and swung into Carter's Service Station.

The City Planning Commission gave formal approval to the capital improvements phase of the master plan for community redevelopment, among the controversial improvements being the eventual paved all dirt roads in the city and the reworking of the other parts of the city.

Scranton Spring Brook Water Service Company employees worked hard on the job of repairing a water main break on N. Church St. in front of the N.Y.S. office after a heavy rain caused a geyser to shoot 10 feet into the air and caused the pavement to heave for a considerable distance around the point of rupture.

During the deployment the ship travelled over 3,000 miles and spent 108 days at sea in support of the Second Fleet's operations in the Western Pacific.

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REMEMBER WHEN Joseph "Butch" Zaveri was manager of the Big Chief Market in Carbondale and he welcomed the White Products "Giant" as part of a promotional campaign?

## Armed Forces News

### Pvt. Banko

Army Pvt. Joseph M. Banko, son of John J. and Evelyn M. Banko of 66 Frobie Street, Simpson, has completed one station unit training (OSUT) at the U.S. Army Infantry School, Fort Benning, Georgia. OSUT is a 12-week period which combines basic combat training and advanced individual training.

The training included weapons qualifications, squad tactics, patrolling, landmine warfare, field communications and combat operations. Completion of this course qualifies the soldier as a high-ways infantryman and as an indirect-fire crewman.

Soldiers were taught to perform any of the duties in the 10-week school was conducted at the Marine Corps Development and Education Center in Quantico, Va. The course is designed to screen and train personnel for commissioning as Marine Corps officers by providing them with the necessary basic military subjects and emphasizing physical fitness and self-discipline.

Paul Warhola  
Marine 2nd Lt. Paul J. Warhola, son of William P. and Margaret A. Warhola of 331 McKinley Ave., Jersey, was commissioned as a 2nd lieutenant in the Marine Corps by providing them with the necessary basic military subjects and emphasizing physical fitness and self-discipline.

Kevin Mindas  
Navy Miss Management Specialist 3rd Class Kevin Mindas, son of Thomas J. and Joan V. Mindas of 203 Park St., recently returned from a six-month deployment to the Mediterranean Sea and back to his home in the Atlantic Ocean.

He is a crewmember aboard the ammunition ship USS Mount Baker, homeported in Charleston, S.C.

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EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, Lackawanna County Area Vocational/Technical School Board. Seated left to right: Gerald Snyder, Lakeland; John McDonough, Dunmore; John Pisarcik, Carbondale Area and Bruce Uhrms, Mid Valley. Standing left to right: Dr. P.M. Menky, executive director N.E.I.U. No. 19, Jack Munney, Valley View; Charles Casco, Scranton; Michael Sugar, Forest City; James Smalies, North Pocono; and Robert Muzzi, director of vocational education. Absent when the photograph was taken was Reverend Merle Davis, Riverside.

Vo-Tech school board elects

The Lackawanna County Area Vocational/Technical School Board recently held its annual convention at the South Vo-Tech Center. The board is made up of 18 directors from the nine participating school districts in the Vo-Tech system.

The convention consisted of a presentation of the Vo-Tech Schools Annual Operating Report by Dr. P.M. Menky, Executive Director, N.E.I.U. No. 19 and Robert Muzzi, Director of Vocational Education, Election of District Representatives to the Vo-Tech Board's Executive Committee. Preview of the Film "Vo-Tech: A Vision of the Future."

Yao", which is used by the Guidance Department to make presentations to student groups, P.T.A.s and other interested organizations, and a tour of the South Center facilities.

Immediately following the convention the board members met with the following directors assuming offices: Gerald Snyder, Lakeland, president; John Pisarcik, Carbondale Area, vice president; and Charles Casco, Scranton, secretary.

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## Northeastern Bank promotes Cheryl Fisher

David L. Tressler, chairman of the board and chief executive officer of Northeastern Bank of Pennsylvania, announced that the board of directors approved the promotion of Cheryl A. Fisher to the position of assistant vice president and manager of the bank's business development office.

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Miss Fisher joined the bank on July 13, 1981, as systems programmer. She has been promoted to the position of assistant vice president and manager of the bank's business development office.

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